Washington, **DC** - Congressman Bruce Braley (D-lowa) announced today Waterloo will receive a \$665,300 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) from the Department of Energy. This grant is made possible through Recovery Act Funds and will promote clean energy use and efficiency in Waterloo.

"I'm proud to announce funding that will not only keep lowa at the forefront of clean energy use, but directly impact lowa families," Braley said. "This grant will help generate energy efficiency programs in the commercial and residential sectors, creating local green jobs and opportunities in the area."

The EECBG money is designed to fund energy audits, building retrofits, development of advanced building codes and inspections. The Department of Energy encourages recipients to quickly award the funds to create new jobs and stimulate local economies.